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For: METHOD FOR ELECTRONIC TUNING :

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty to disclose information material to the examination of this application as set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, copies of the following publications are cited (and submitted, where required):

- (1) International patent publication WO 97/45699
(12/4/97);
- (2) International patent publication WO 99/19734
(4/22/99);
- (3) German provisional publication DE 199 10 415
A1 (9/14/00);
- (4) German provisional publication DE 199 39 998
A1 (3/1/01);
- (5) German patent DE 696 15 468 T2 (1/2/97);
- (6) United States patent 5,847,279 (12/8/98);

- (7) German provisional publication DE 100 62 347 A1
(6/20/02);
- (8) German provisional publication DE 44 47 005 A1
(7/4/96);
- (9) German patent DE 696 20 824 T2 (12/27/96); and
- (10) United States patent 5, 736,640 (4/7/98)

Documents 1 and 2 were cited in the International Search Report of January 16, 2004 in International publication WO 2004/038331 (of International patent application PCT/EP03/10970) dated May 6, 2004. The present application represents the U.S. National phase of the International application.


The same documents are cited in the International Preliminary Examination Report issued July 27, 2004 in PCT/EP03/10970. The International Preliminary Examination has yielded a positive indication with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability.

Each of documents "3" through "10" (document 6 being the United States patent equivalent, and therefore an English language translation of document 5 and document 10 being the United States patent equivalent, and therefore an English language translation of document 9) was cited by the

German Patent Office examiner in an office action issued April 7, 2003 in German patent application 102 48 733.2 from which the present invention claims Convention priority (through International patent application PCT/EP03/10970). A Decision to Grant was issued in the German patent application on May 14, 2004.

While the art is cited herein in accordance with the Applicants' duty of candor, none of such art, either alone or in combination with any other known prior art is believed to render the invention of the present application unpatentable.

Respectfully submitted,

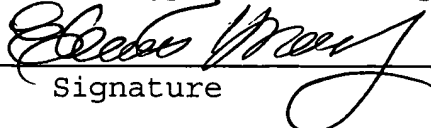

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